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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : DANIEL, Mordechai, et al.

Serial No. : 09/782,090

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Filed : February 12, 2001

For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EFFICIENT MESSAGING
BETWEEN MEMORIES ACROSS A PCI BUS

Group Art Unit: 2182
Examiner: Tanh Q. Nguyen

Tel Aviv, Israel
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2003 containing a restriction requirement, Applicant provisionally elects claims 1-19 relating to a computer system for transferring data between a receiving CPU and a transmitting CPU by using only write operations, labeled Group I by the Examiner.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's argument that the inventions of Groups I through Group III are distinct.

Regarding groups I and II, computer systems do generally have a CPU and therefore the Examiner's comment seems unreasonable. However, prior to the examination, Applicant has chosen to add new claims 32-33 drawn to a computer system performing the method of respective claims 20 and 26. The revised claims are attached.

Applicant believes that Groups I-III do not represent distinct inventions. Applicant believes a generic claim can be drawn to the system to provide adequate coverage. Therefore the restriction requirement between groups I through III should be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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